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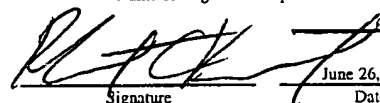
Application No.: 09/228,445
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Inventor(s):
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Examiner: Nguyen, P.
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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD
FOR DIGITAL
COMMUNICATION VIA
A TIME DIVISION
MULTIPLEXED SERIAL
DATA STREAM

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please let this serve as a formal request for a refund of the two month extension of time fee in the amount of \$410.00 which was charged in regard to the filing of a Request for Continued Examination for the above-referenced application. The Request for Continued Examination was filed with a certificate of mailing of April 11, 2003, which was during the two month period following the Notice of Appeal filed on February 11, 2003. Therefore, no extension of time fee should have been charged.

Applicants respectfully request a refund in the amount of \$410.00 to deposit account no. 501505/5000-74400/RCK. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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